INVESTMENT OPTIONS FOR PROPERTY RECOVERED IN A SUIT BY A NEXT FRIEND OR GUARDIAN AD LITEM ON BEHALF OF A MINOR OR INCAPACITATED PERSON

CHAPTER 289

H.B. No. 1560

AN ACT

relating to investment options for property recovered in a suit by a next friend or guardian ad litem on behalf of a minor or incapacitated person.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 142.004(a), Property Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) In a suit in which a minor or incapacitated person who has no legal guardian is represented by a next friend or an appointed guardian ad litem, any money recovered by the plaintiff, if not otherwise managed under this chapter, may be invested:
 - (1) by the next friend or guardian ad litem in:
 - (A) a higher education savings plan established under Subchapter G, Chapter 54, Education Code, or a prepaid tuition program [the Texas tomorrow fund] established under [by] Subchapter H [F], Chapter 54, Education Code; or
 - (B) interest-bearing time deposits in a financial institution doing business in this state and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or
 - (2) by the clerk of the court, on written order of the court of proper jurisdiction, in:
 - (A) a higher education savings plan established under Subchapter G, Chapter 54, Education Code, or a prepaid tuition program [the Texas tomorrow fund] established under [by] Subchapter H [F], Chapter 54, Education Code;
 - (B) interest-bearing deposits in a financial institution doing business in this state and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;
 - (C) United States treasury bills;
 - (D) an eligible interlocal investment pool that meets the requirements of Sections 2256.016, 2256.017, and 2256.019, Government Code; or
 - (E) a no-load money market mutual fund, if the fund:
 - (i) is regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission;
 - (ii) has a dollar weighted average stated maturity of 90 days or fewer; and
 - (iii) includes in its investment objectives the maintenance of a stable net asset value of \$1 for each share.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 23, 2015: Yeas 139, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 20, 2015: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 1, 2015.

Effective September 1, 2015.

METHODS BY WHICH A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY SUBMIT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TEXAS EMERGENCY SERVICES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

CHAPTER 290

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AN ACT